(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

दिल्ली-अहमदाबाद मार्ग पर आमान परिवर्तन के संबंध में व्यय की गयी धनराशि

1426. **श्रीमती आनन्दीबेन जेठाभाई पटेल** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार द्वारा दिल्ली-अहमदाबाद मार्ग पर मीटर लाइन को बड़ी लाइन में बदलने के संबंध में वार्षिक रूप से कितनी धनराशि खर्च की जा रही है; और

(ख) सरकार इस कार्य को कब तक समाप्त कर लेगी ?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी० के० जाफर शरीफ) : (क) इस परियोजना पर वार्षिक रूप से खर्च की गई राशि इस प्रकार है :—

वर्ष	रुपये (करोड़ में)
1992–93	47.70
1993–94	152.94
1994–95	204.95
1995–96	226.43 (प्रस्तावित)

(ख) परियोजना 31–3–1996 तक पूरी करने का लक्ष्य है।

Foreign technical assistance to check derailments

1427. SHRI YERRA NARAYANSWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have sought any foreign technical assistance to detect and rectify the increasing incidence of rail derailments;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, how Government propose to reduce frequent rail derailments?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The following steps have been taken to reduce derailments:—

1. Overdue track renewals on all important routes are being liquidated.

2. Stress has been given to remove track deficiencies.

3. Track structure has been upgraded.

4. Carriage and Wagon examination of rolling stock has been strengthened and rationalised.

5. Nearly 17,000 drivers with less than 10 years active driving service have been specially screened and deficient drivers given out-of course crash training.

6. Two high-level Safety Teams have been making extensive spot checks and inspections of field installations and practices.

7. Nearly 60,000 staff attended safety camps and refresher training couses during the last one year.

As a result of various steps taken, inspite of substantial rise in traffic, the derailments on railways have come down as would be evident from the following figures:—

1989-90	456
1990-91	446
1991-92	444
1992-93	414
1993-94	401